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¶1. SUMMARY: THE SECURITY SITUATION AND THE KILLING OF THE
AMERICAN HOSTAGE IN SAUDI ARABIA DOMINATED COVERAGE IN LOCAL

PRINT AND ELECTRONIC MEDIA. AYSHA SULTAN NOTED IN "AL BAYAN" THAT HATRED TOWARDS THE U.S. IS INCREASING AMONG THE YOUNGER GENERATION. AN EDITORIAL IN "AL KHALEEJ" NOTED THAT ALL THESE TERRORIST ACTIONS IN SAUDI ARABIA ARE AGAINST ISLAM AND ARABS. END SUMMARY.

¶2. UAE COLUMNIST AYSHA SULTAN WROTE AN ARTICLE UNDER THE HEADLINE "THE U.S. SHOULD WATCH OUT" IN DUBAI-BASED BUSINESS-ORIENTED "AL BAYAN" EDITORIALIZED 06/22:(CIRCULATION 30,000)

"WE HAVE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO HATE THE U.S., WE ALSO HAVE CHILDREN WHO CONVEY THEIR HATRED TOWARDS IT IN DIFFERENT WAYS, SO WHO IS INCREASING THE HATRED TOWARDS THE U.S. AND ITS POLICY, IS IT THE ABSENCE OF DEMOCRACY OR IS IT THE ABSENCE OF JUSTICE IN DEALING WITH ISSUES OF THE REGION?. THE TREND OF HATRED AGAINST U.S. POLICY IS INCREASING AMONG THE YOUNGER GENERATION, AND THIS IS SOMETHING THAT ARABS HOLD THE U.S. RESPONSIBLE FOR BECAUSE OF ITS ATTITUDE TOWARDS ISRAEL AND SHARON'S POLICY AGAINST THE PALESTINIANS, IN ADDITION TO HUMILIATING THE IRAQIS BY OCCUPYING IRAQ FOR NO REASON. THE U.S. IS MAKING OUR CHILDREN DEAL WITH THE WEST NEGATIVELY AND WITH HOSTILITY."

¶3. NOTING THAT IF THE SECURITY SITUATION REMAINS AS IS IN IRAQ AFTER HANDING OVER SOVEREIGNTY ON JUNE 30, THEN THINGS WILL GET WORSE, ABU DHABI-BASED SEMI-GOVERNMENT "AL ITTIHAD" EDITORIALIZED 06/21:(CIRCULATION 100,000)

". FOR THE SITUATION TO REMAIN AS IS IN IRAQ AFTER HANDING OVER IRAQ TO THE IRAQIS ON JUNE 30, ESPECIALLY WHEN IT COMES TO SECURITY ISSUES, THIS MEANS THAT A LOT OF DAMAGE WILL OCCUR TO THE DEMOCRATIC TRANSFORMATION THAT THE TRANSITIONAL GOVERNMENT ALREADY STARTED."

¶4. COMMENTING ON THE KILLING AND MAIMING OF THE AMERICAN HOSTAGE IN SAUDI ARABIA, "AL BAYAN" EDITORIALIZED 06/20:(CIRCULATION 30,000)

".WHAT THOSE KILLERS DID IS NOT AGAINST THE U.S. BUT IT IS AGAINST ISLAM AND HUMANITY, AS JORDAN'S KING ABDULLAH SAID. WE REQUEST THAT THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY, THROUGH ALL ITS ORGANIZATIONS, FACE THE TERRORISM THAT IS THREATENING THE PEACE AND SECURITY OF THE WORLD AS A WHOLE NOT ONLY ONE REGION. SILENCE TOWARDS THIS PHENOMENON WILL THREATEN THE SECURITY OF ALL HUMANITY."

¶5. UNDER THE HEADLINE "CONDEMNED TERRORISM," SHARJAH-BASED ARABIC DAILY "AL-KHALEEJ" EDITORIALIZED 06/20:(CIRCULATION 95,000)

". THESE THINGS HAPPENING IN IRAQ AND SAUDI ARABIA ARE CONDEMNED AND SHOULD NOT BE TOLERATED BECAUSE THIS IS PART OF THE TERRORISM THAT THE U.S. AND ISRAEL ARE TRYING TO ASSOCIATE WITH ARABS AND MUSLIMS IN ORDER TO JUSTIFY THEIR ATTACKS AGAINST OUR NATION AND TO JUSTIFY THEIR PROJECTS AND INITIATIVES."

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